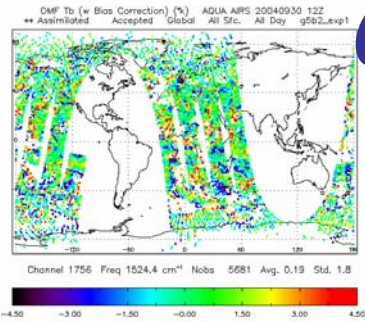
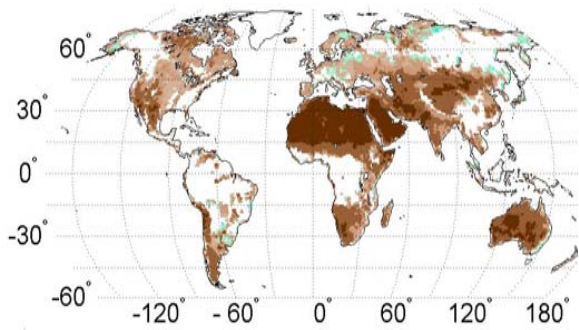
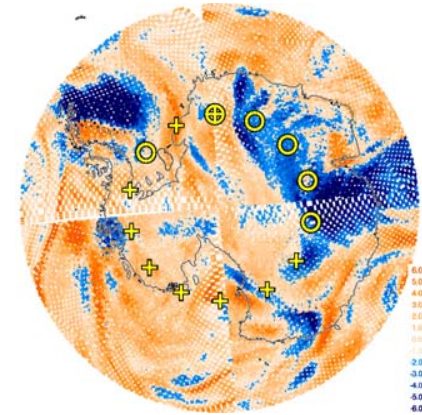


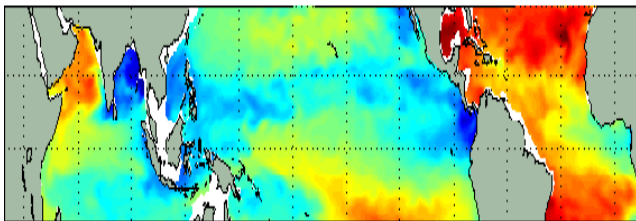
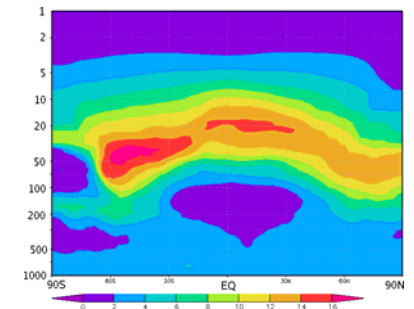
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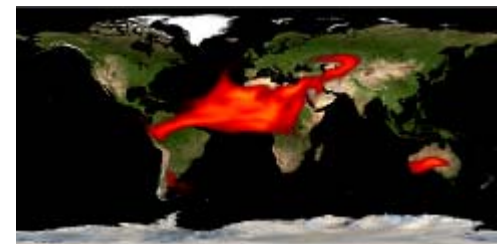
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Mission: *maximize the impact of satellite observations in climate, weather and air-quality prediction using comprehensive global models and data assimilation.*

- **Science areas:**

- Subseasonal-to-Decadal Climate Prediction
- Weather prediction
- Chemistry-climate connections
- Hydrological Cycle

- **Technical areas:**

- **Satellite data assimilation:**- accelerate use of existing satellite data, evaluate existing and new mission observation designs; product generation (support for NASA instrument team products, reanalysis)
- **Model development:** use of satellite data to guide new parameterizations; advanced software through ESMF

GEOS-5 Atmospheric Data Assimilation System

Ricardo Todling, Max Suarez, Larry Takacs, Emily Liu

❖ AGCM

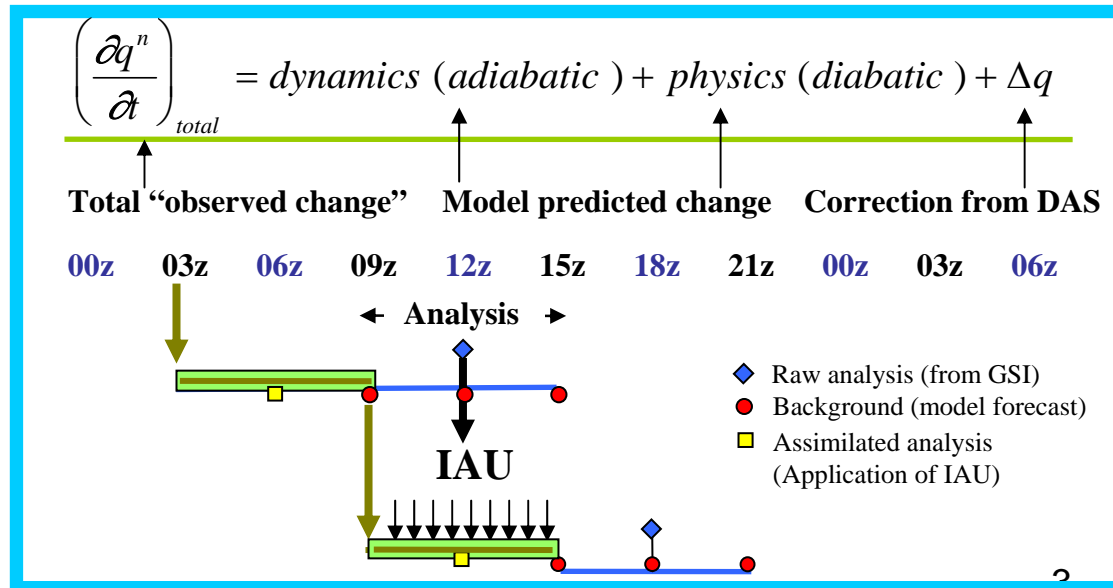
- ❖ Finite-volume dynamic core
- ❖ Bacmeister moist physics
- ❖ Physics integrated under the Earth System Modeling Framework (ESMF)
- ❖ Catchment land surface model
- ❖ Prescribed aerosols
- ❖ Interactive ozone

❖ Analysis

- ❖ **Grid Point Statistical Interpolation (GSI)**
- ❖ Direct assimilation of satellite radiance data
- ❖ JCSDA Community Radiative Transfer Model (CRTM) for most current instruments in space
- ❖ GLATOVS for TOVS (HIRS2, MSU, SSU) on board of TIROS-N, NOAA-06, ..., NOAA-12
- ❖ Variational bias correction for radiances

❖ Assimilation

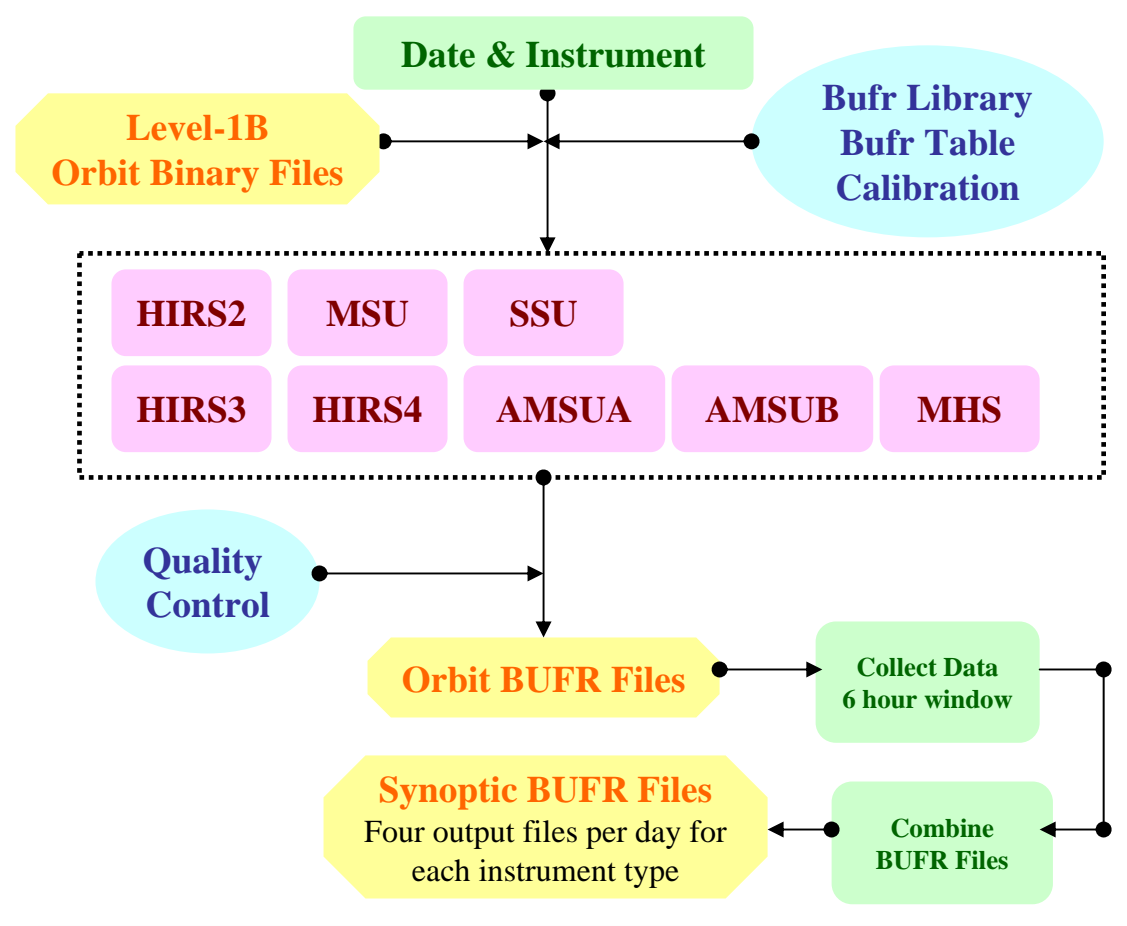
- ❖ Apply Incremental Analysis Increments (IAU) to reduce shock of data insertion
- ❖ IAU gradually forces the model integration throughout the 6 hour period



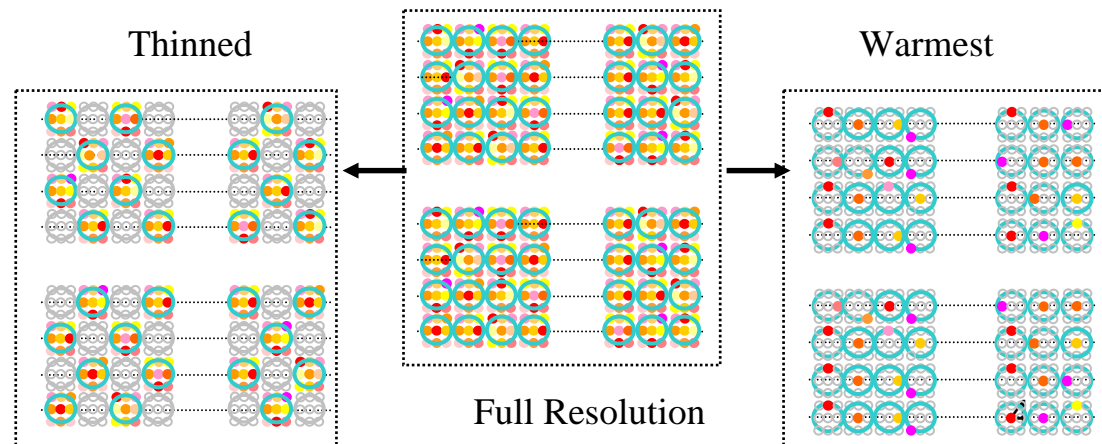
In-house Radiance Data Processing

Emily Liu

- ❖ In house data processing to support Modern Era Retrospective-analysis for Research and Applications (MERRA)
- ❖ Level-1b TOVS/ATOVS radiance data were converted to calibrated radiance in BUFR format with appropriate quality controls
- ❖ Data available from 1979 to current
- ❖ Data blacklists from ECMWF ERA40, JMA25 reanalysis, and GMAO GEOS-4 reanalysis (CERES) for further data screening
- ❖ Can reprocess the radiance data if calibration coefficients can be estimated from a better technique such as SNO (simultaneous nadir overpass)



- ❖ Receiving full spatial resolution AIRS and AMSU-A data from NESDIS
- ❖ Processing full resolution data set into thinned and warmest data sets in BUFR format



MERRA

<http://gmao.gsfc.nasa.gov/merra/>

Michael Bosilovich, Siegfried Schubert & Gi-Kong Kim

MERRA System

1/2° × 2/3° × 72L to .01 mb
1979-present
GSI Analysis with IAU
Parallel AMIP run

EMPHASIS ON WATER CYCLE

- Global Precipitation,
Evaporation, Land Hydrology,
Cloud parameters and TPW

GLOBAL HEAT AND WATER BUDGETS FOR ALL PROCESSES

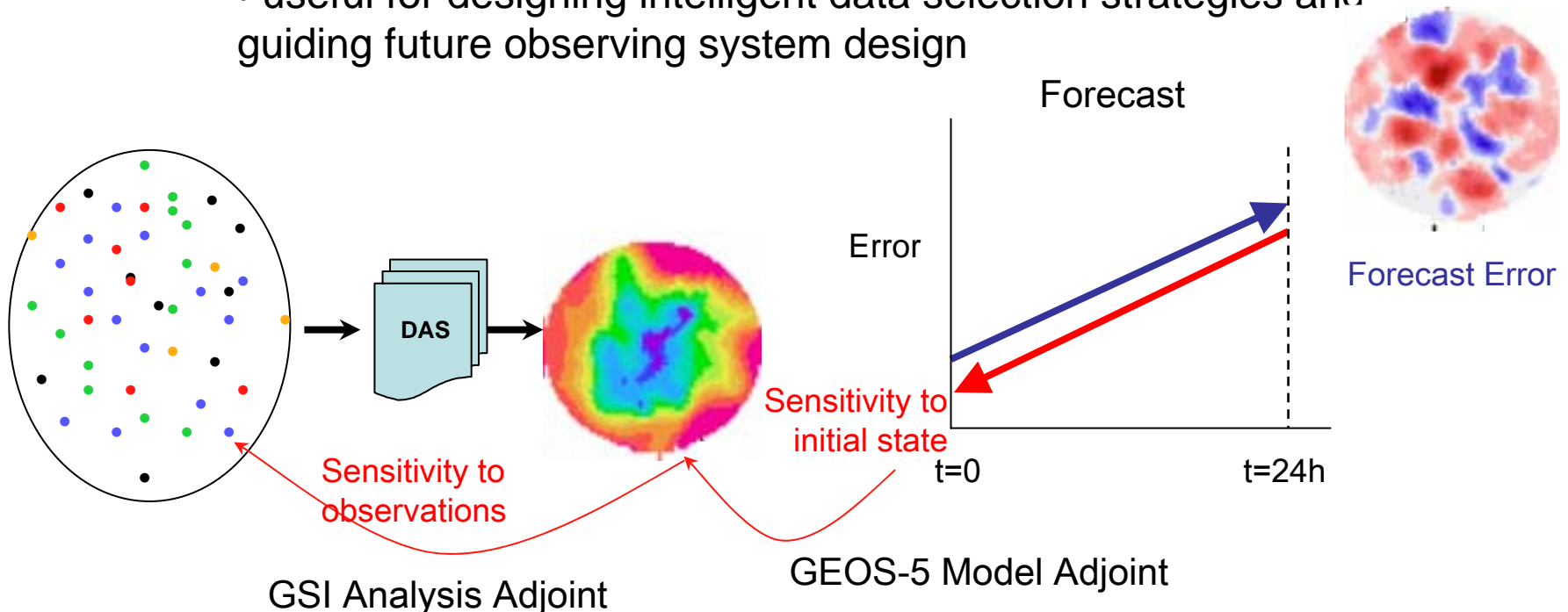
DIURNAL CYCLE FROM HOURLY 2-D FIELDS

The screenshot shows the MERRA website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Research, Systems, Products, GMAO Projects, Seminars, and Publications. Below this is a header section with the NASA logo and the text "NASA Goddard Space Flight Center Global Modeling and Assimilation Office". A search bar is located on the right side of the header. The main content area is divided into several sections: "ABOUT GMAO" with links for Overview, Strategic Plans, and GMAO Organization; "GMAO LINKS" with links for Personnel Directory, Job Opportunities, Current Events, Collaborations, Ancillary Data, Contact Us, Site Map, Intranet, and Extranet; "NASA LINKS" with links for NASA, GSFC, GDAAC, JCSDA, Sciences and Exploration Directorate, Earth Sciences Division, Destination Earth, and CISTO; "MERRA: Modern Era Retrospective-analysis for Research and Applications" with a sub-section for "*NEW* MERRA File Specification Available" and a "Mission Statement" box; and "Public Web Pages" with links for Introduction, Contributors, External Users Group, Input Data, and Validation Data. The "Mission Statement" box contains the following text: "The MERRA project supports NASA's Earth science interests by: 1. utilizing the NASA global data assimilation system to produce a long-term (1979-present) synthesis that places the current suite of research satellite observations in a climate data context. 2. providing the science and applications communities with state-of-the-art global analyses, with emphasis on improved estimates of the hydrological cycle on a broad range of weather and climate time scales."

Adjoint tools for Observation Impact Studies

Ron Gelaro

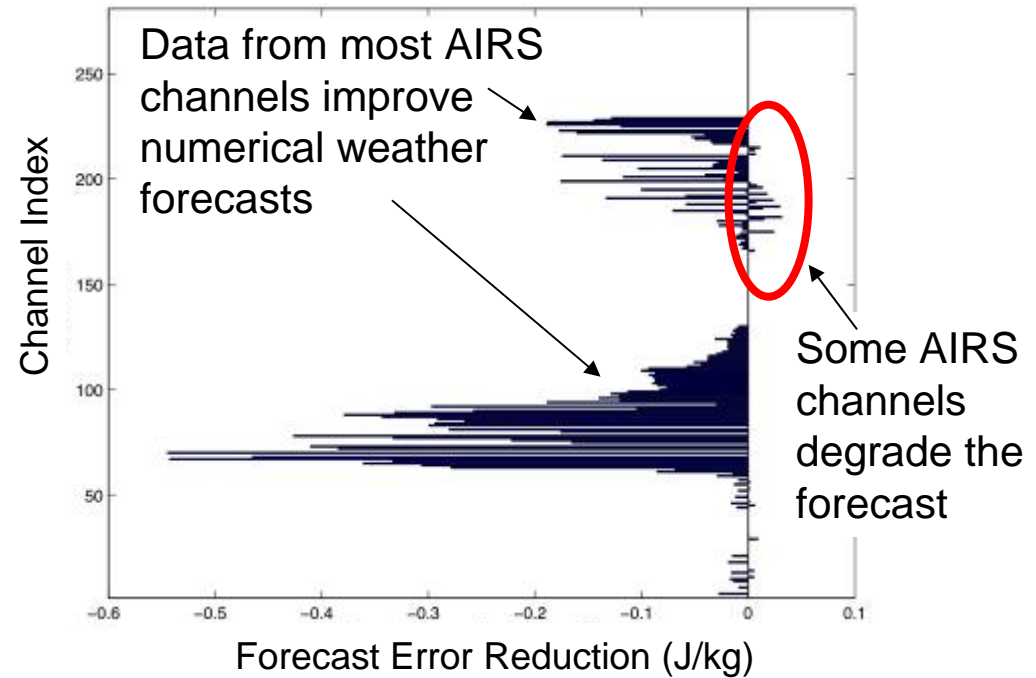
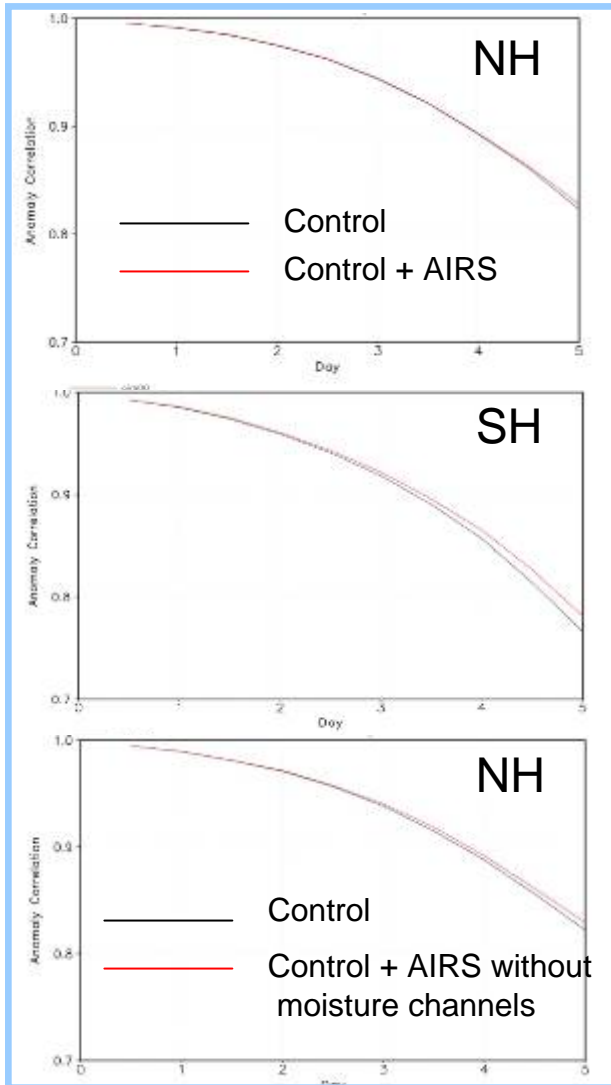
- Efficient estimation of sources of forecast error and observation sensitivity (observation impact)
 - determined with respect to observational data, background fields or assimilation parameters, all computed simultaneously
 - useful for designing intelligent data selection strategies and guiding future observing system design



GEOS-5 used to Evaluate Impact of AIRS in NWP

Emily Liu, Ron Gelaro, Yanqiu Zhu

Forecast Skill vs. Time

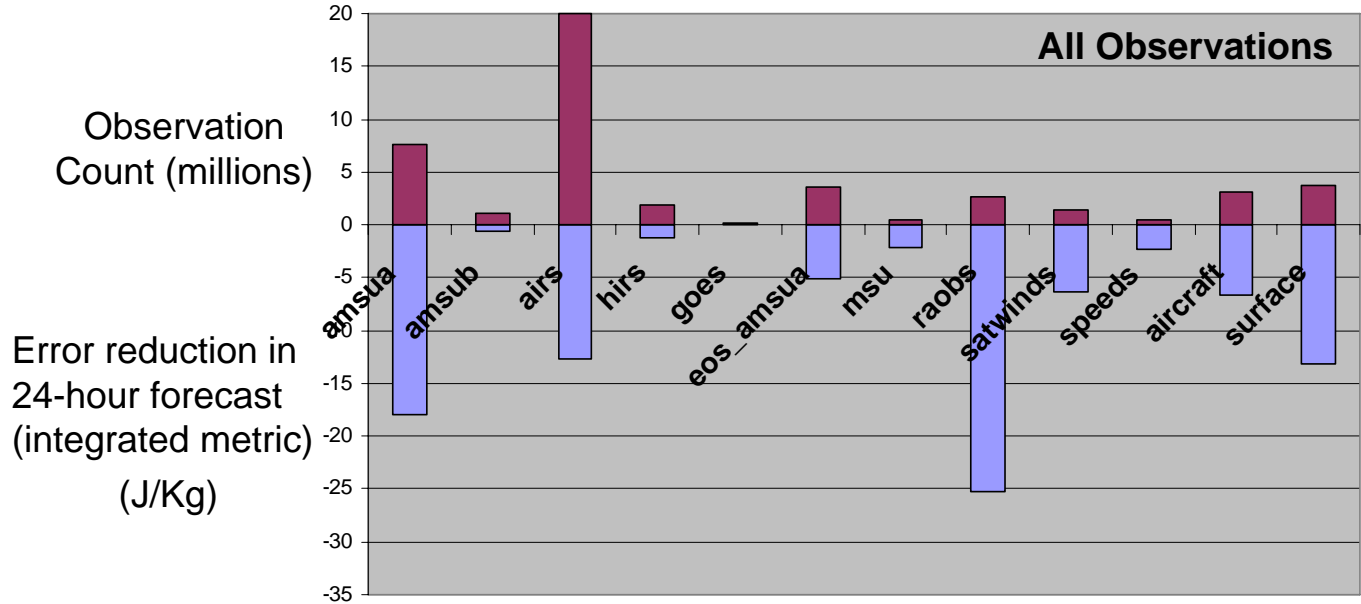


Observation sensitivity tools developed by the GMAO indicate that the some of the AIRS moisture channels have negative impact on forecast skill

AIRS brings slightly positive impact on forecast skill in Northern Hemisphere; clear positive impact in Southern Hemisphere. But forecast skills are increased when moisture channels from AIRS are not included

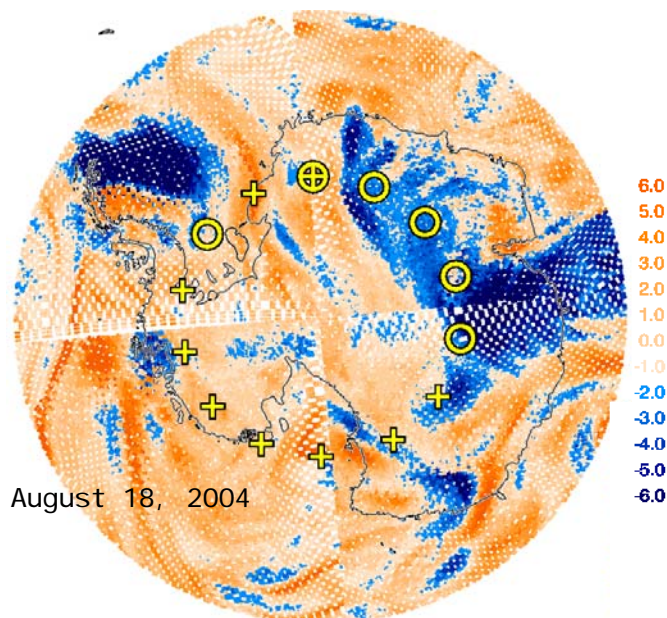
GEOS-5 Observation Impact: July 2005 00z Totals

Ron Gelaro and Yanqiu Zhu

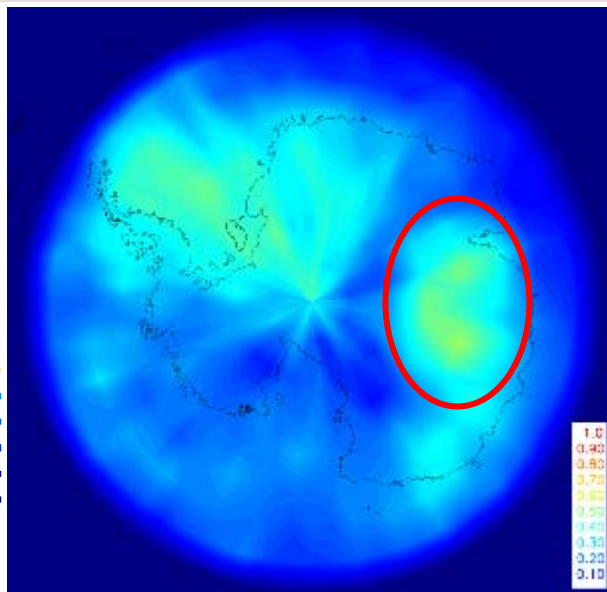


Ice Polar Stratospheric Clouds (PSCs) Detected from Assimilation of AIRS Data

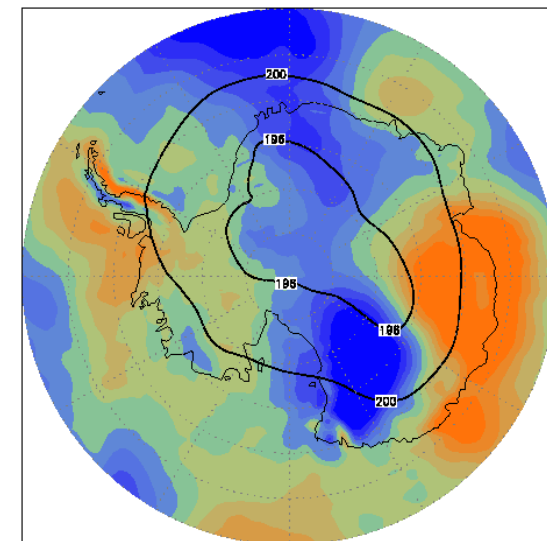
Ivanka Stajner



AIRS observations-minus-**GEOS-5** forecast (O-Fs) for $6.79\mu\text{m}$ “moisture” channel. The forecast is computed assuming that clouds are not present. O-Fs lower than -2K (**blue**) typically coincide with locations where POAM III detected ice PSCs (⊕).



High frequency of AIRS O-Fs lower than -2K indicates frequent ice PSCs in an unusual region during August 2004.



This is a cold region (temperature contours) with frequent upwelling (**orange**) during August 2004 at 200 hPa over Antarctica.

I. Stajner, C. Benson, H.-C. Liu, S. Pawson, N. Brubaker, L.-P. Chang, L. P. Riishojgaard and R. Todling (GMAO). Manuscript submitted to *Geophysical Research Letters*.

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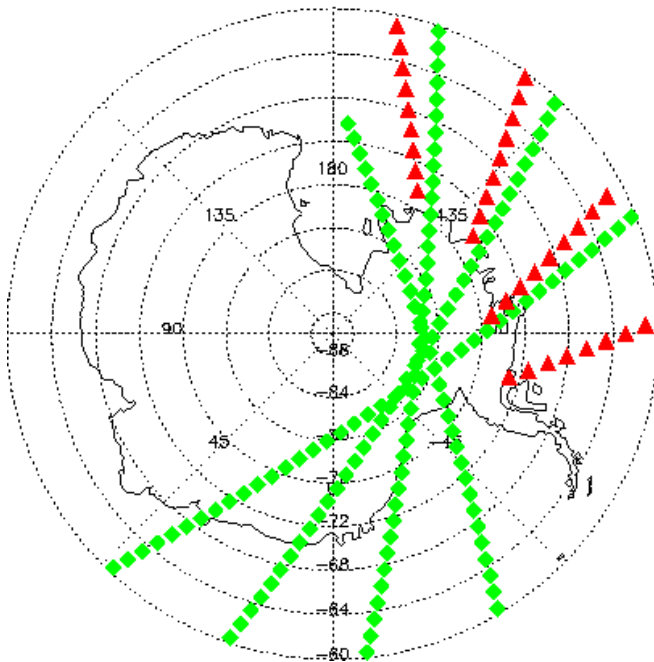
Assimilating AURA/MLS ozone

Meta Sienkiewicz and Ivanka Stajner

SBUV daytime only – no data near South Pole due to high solar zenith angle

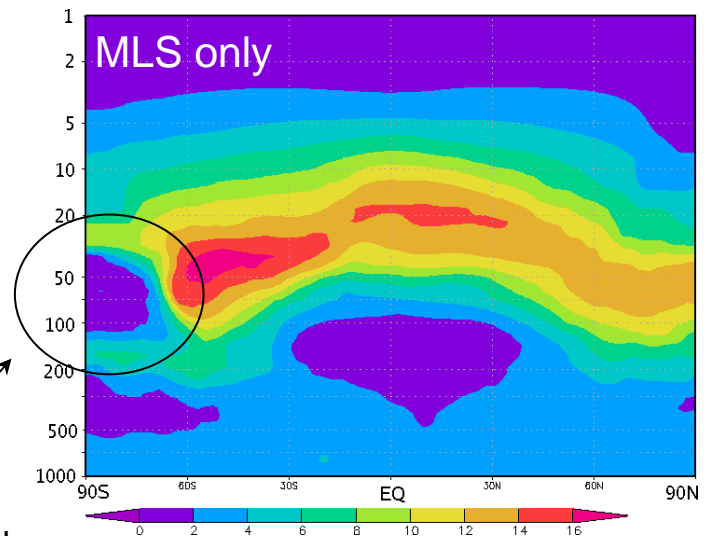
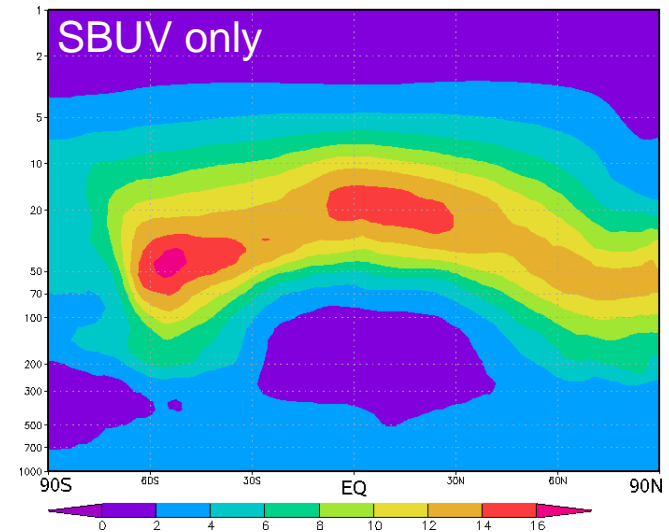
MLS orbital limit $\pm 82^\circ$

Data coverage 30 Sep 2004, 00UTC



- ▲ NOAA 16 SBUV
- ◆ MLS

Zonal mean ozone 9/30/2004 00UTC

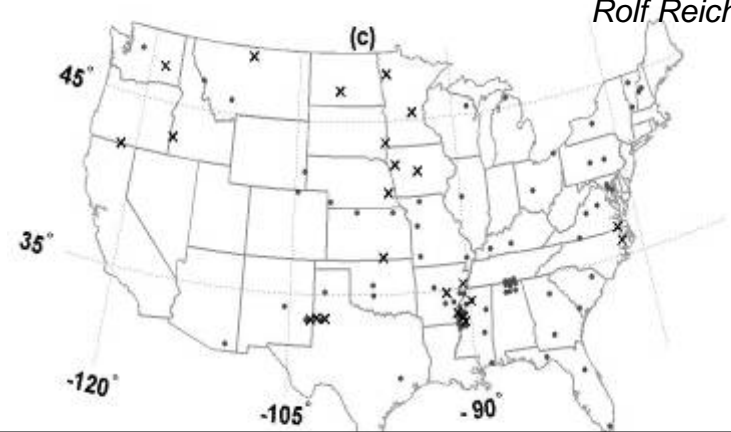
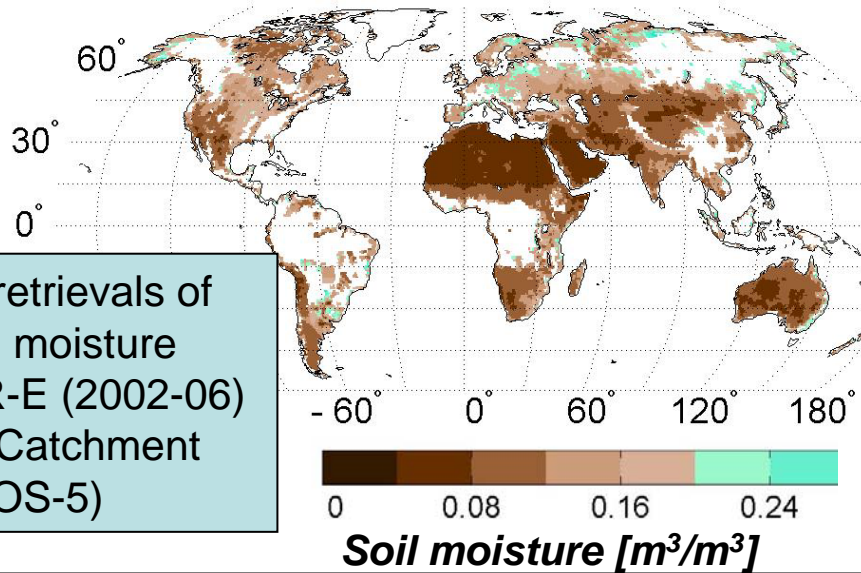


Ozone hole develops in MLS assimilation

Ozone partial pressure (mPa)

Global assimilation of AMSR-E soil moisture retrievals

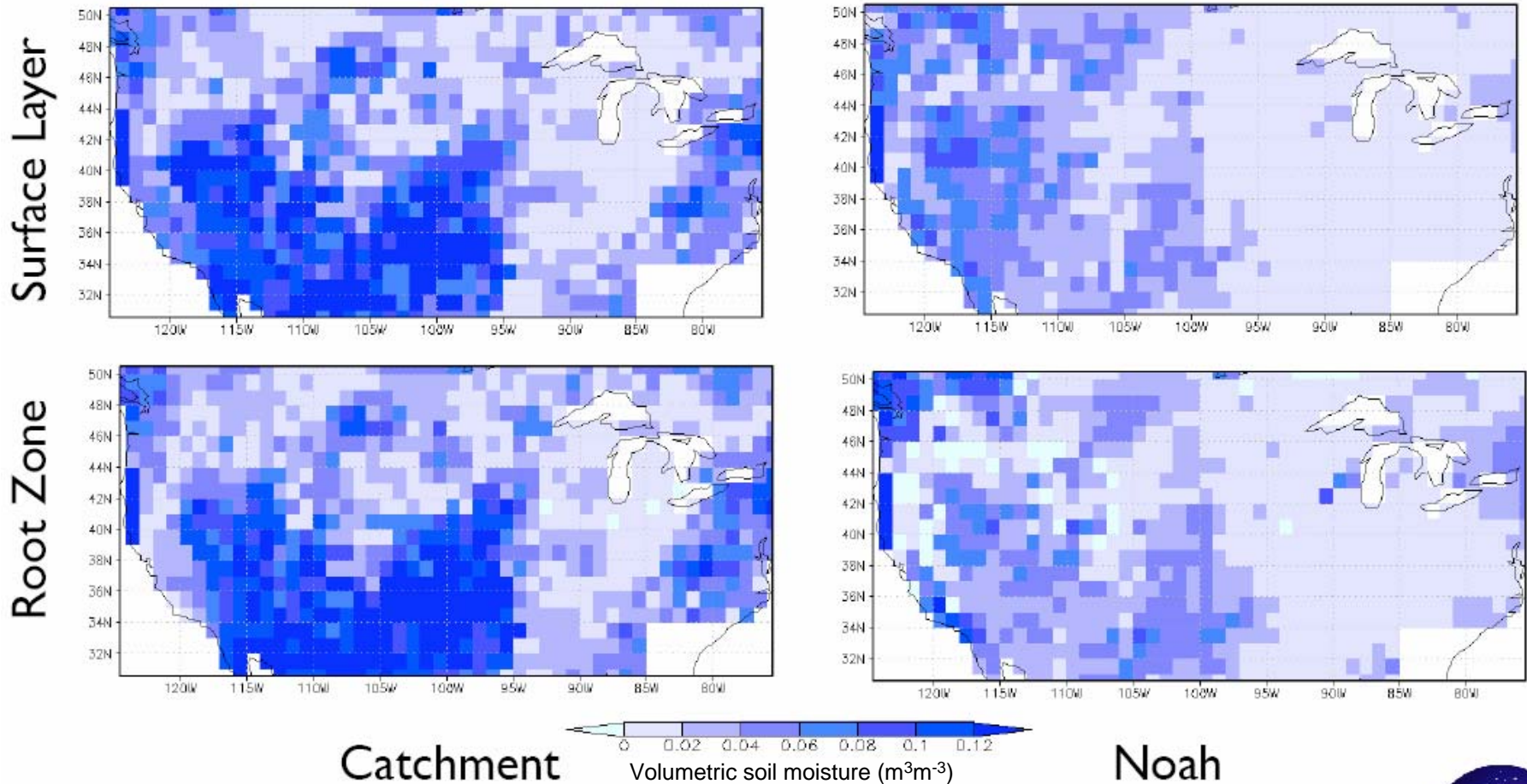
Rolf Reichle



Reichle et al. <i>JGR</i> , 2007		Anomaly time series correlation coeff. with in situ data [-] (with 95% confidence interval)			Confidence levels: Improvement of assimilation over	
		N	Satellite	Model	Assim.	Satellite
Surface soil moisture	23	.38±.02	.43±.02	.50±.02	>99.99%	>99.99%
Root zone soil moisture	22	n/a	.40±.02	.46±.02	n/a	>99.99%

Assimilation product agrees better with ground data than satellite or model alone.
Modest increase may be close to maximum possible with *imperfect* in situ data.

Improvement Metric (RMSE(OpenLoop) - RMSE(EnKF)) for soil moisture OSSEs



Kumar, Reichle, et al. (2007), *Adv. Water Resources*, in preparation.



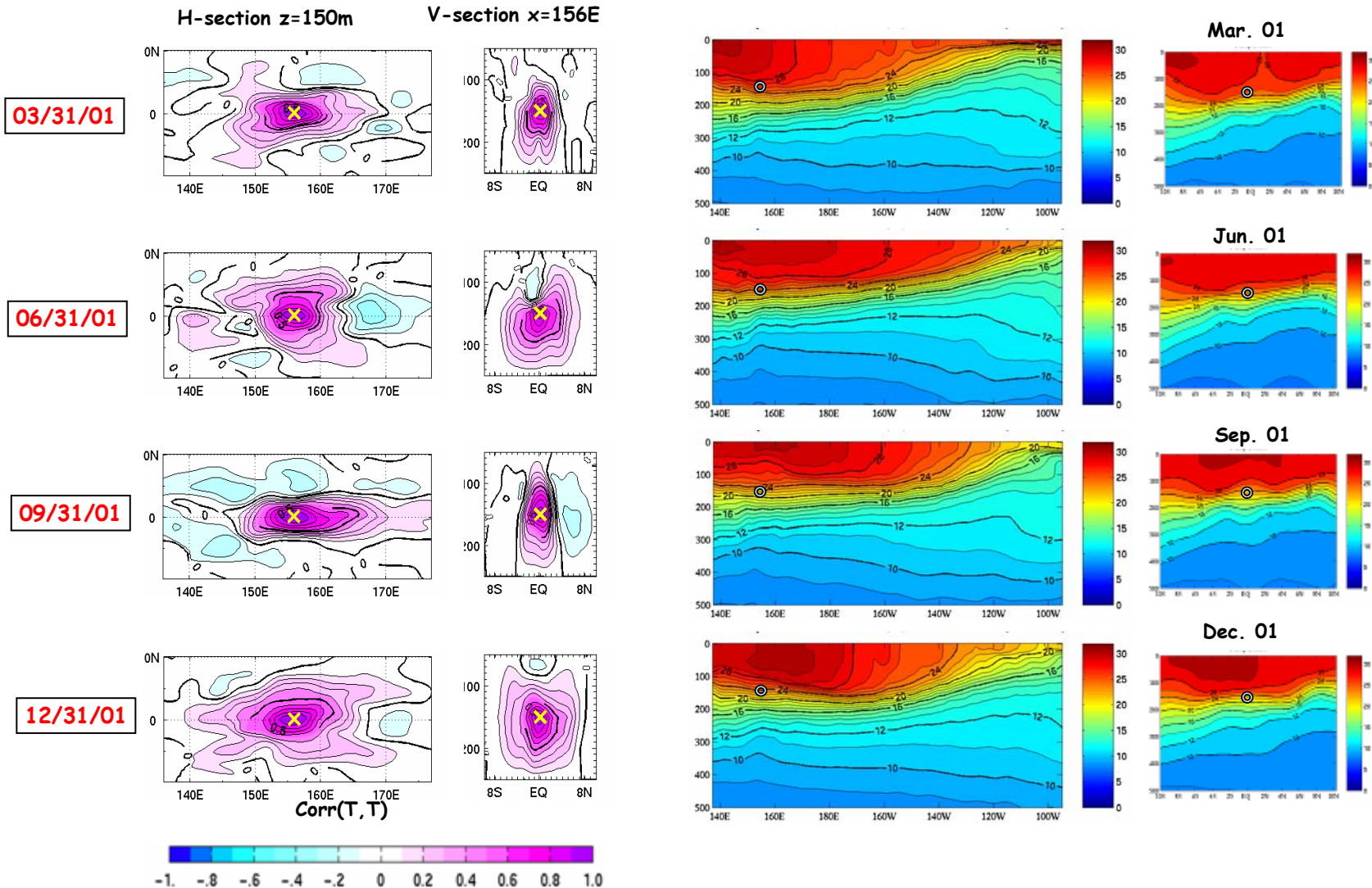
Ocean state-dependent covariances with the EnKF

Temporal evolution of Kalman gain for T obs.

Christian Keppenne

EnKF-33: filter

Schur(C,P) @ (0N, 156E, 150m)



Impact of altimetry on seasonal forecasts

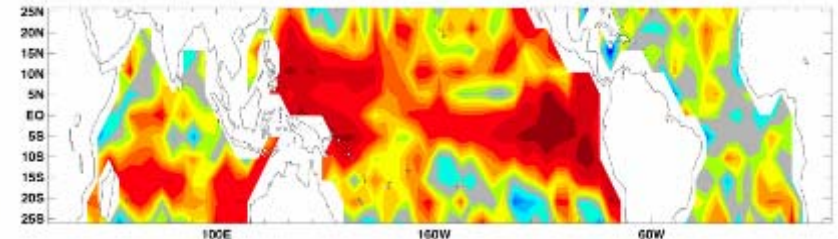
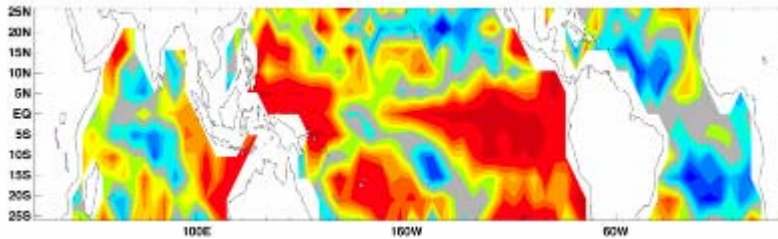
Anomaly correlation of forecast SSH with TOPEX data
May starts (1993-2001)

Altimeter data not used in initialization

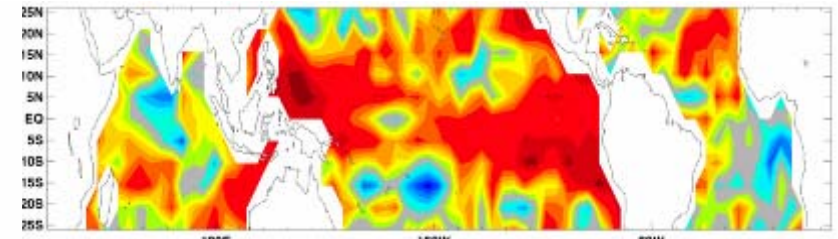
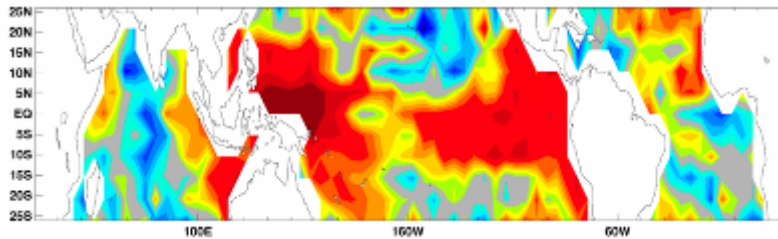
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Forecast
Lead

3 months



6 months

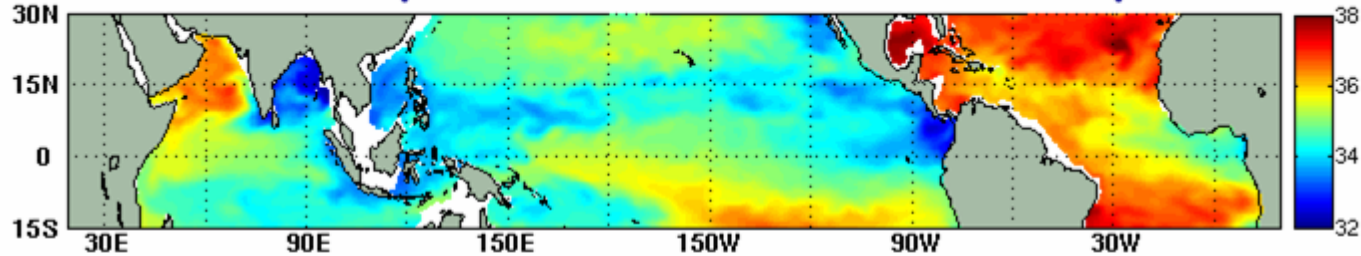


The impact of Argo - preparing for Aquarius

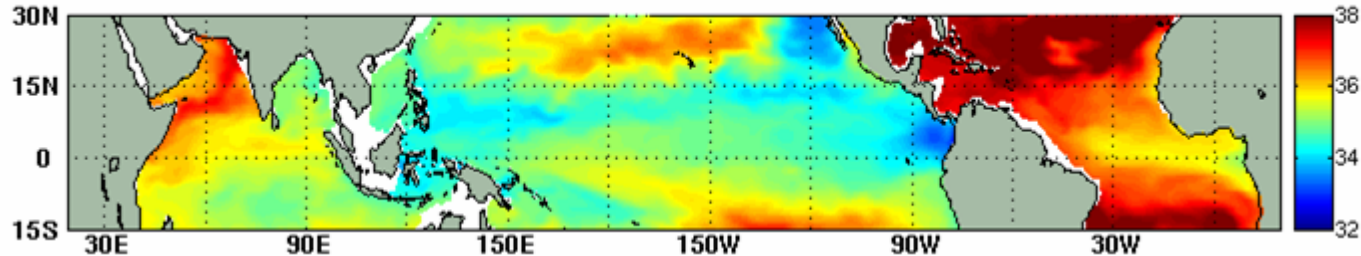
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February 2006 Surface Fields: Salinity

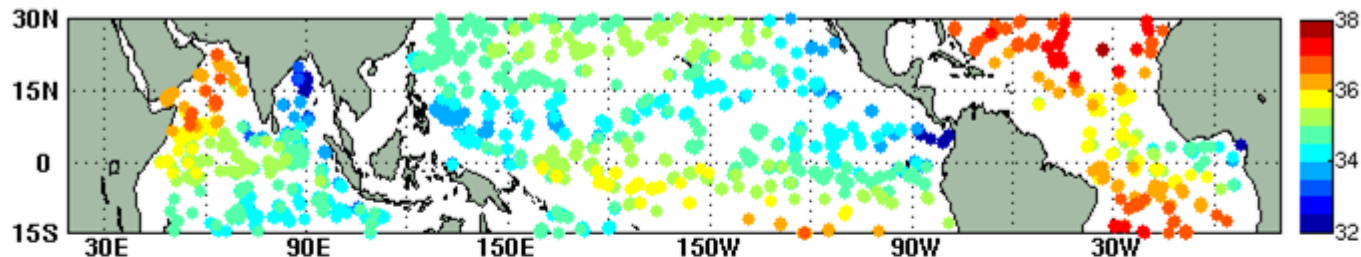
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T, S, SSH



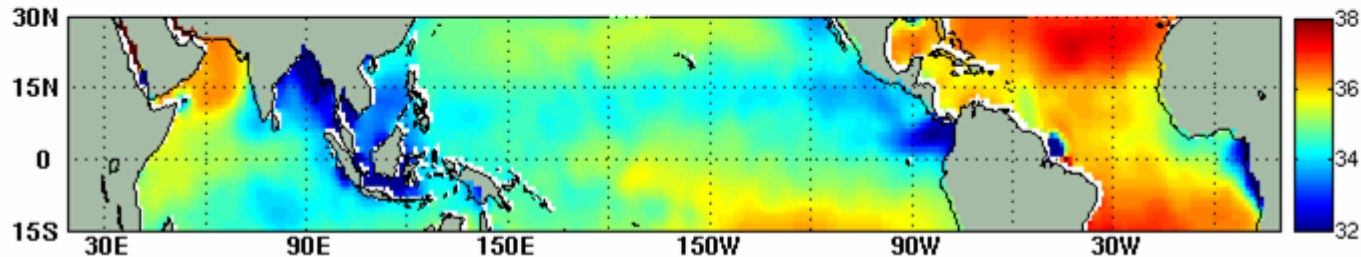
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No Argo S



Argo Obs
z < 5m



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GMAO's Collaborations with JCSDA Partners

■ Atmosphere:-

- GSI - NCEP
- Adjoint tools - NRL
- Ozone
- OSSEs (emerging) - NCEP, NESDIS, et al

■ Land Surface:-

- EnKF development
- LIS implementation for Catchment and Noah LSMs

■ Ocean:-

- EnKF and MvOI development for MOM4 - NCEP
- Altimetry with online-bias-estimation
- Ocean color